

**HUNTERS POINT NAVAL SHIPYARD  
BASE REALIGNMENT AND CLOSURE CLEANUP TEAM  
MEETING NOTES**

**October 1, 2020**

These notes summarize the Navy Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) Cleanup Team (BCT) meeting for Hunters Point Naval Shipyard (HPNS) in San Francisco, California. The meeting was held on October 1, 2020 via teleconference.

**I. Introductions and Agenda Review**

Mr. Derek Robinson (Navy) performed introductions and reviewed the action items from the September 10, 2020 BCT meeting.

**II. Navy Business/Action Items (Derek Robinson, Navy)**

The following is a summary of the status of the action items from the August 6/September 10, 2020 BCT meeting, provided by Mr. Robinson (Navy):

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Item	Description	Status
1	The Navy will set up a call with the BCT regarding radiological dust monitoring during onsite activities.	Complete. Meeting with EPA held on 3/31/20; crosswalk table provided 5/1/20. EPA provided comments on 5/22/20. Revised Final Work Plan Addendum submitted on 7/27/20. <u>(Waiting for the Navy to share the Revised Final Work Plan Addendum with the BCT and post online for the public.)</u>
2	The Navy will <del>setup a teleconference with the USEPA</del> provide additional information regarding the subtraction of upwind vs. downwind in the air monitoring data at Parcel E.	Pending. Action item revised to a teleconference. <u>Leo will call Maeve.</u>
3	The Navy will circle back with the BCT regarding the final Parcel E-2 Phase II remedial action completion report comments and send an extension request.	Complete. Extension request for Final RACR, including Draft Final and RTCs submitted on 9/10/20.
4	The Navy will send the BCT a figure showing the RSY pads in Parcel E.	Complete. Figure sent 9/28/20
5	The Navy will follow up with the USEPA regarding air quality levels and fieldworker health and safety.	Completed on 9/14/20
6	The Navy will send the BCT a request for a meeting to discuss the Parcel D-1 "ESD". <del>The Navy will send an outline for proposed community outreach on this issue</del>	Pending. <u>Meeting specific to public participation with EPA, DTSC, and Waterboard</u>

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	<u>to the BCT for both the technical and public participation aspects.</u>	<u>held on 9/16/20. Action item from the meeting was for the Navy to share a bulleted list of a strategy for public participation. Meeting on the technical aspects forthcoming.</u>
7	The Navy will schedule a public communication meeting with the BCT	Completed on 9/16/20

### III. Document Tracking (Navy)

Mr. Paul Stoick (Navy) noted that the only document currently under agency review is the Parcel F draft Finger Piers Scoping Survey Report. Upcoming documents needing agency review include the draft preliminary assessment report of Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS), radiological rework work plans for Parcel B, interim Remedial Action Completion Report (RACR) for IR26, final radiological health and safety survey, draft final Remedial Action Work Plan for Parcel C Phase III, and final Parcel E-2 RACR.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) noted that there are several documents that are coming out for review in the next month with agency comments due around the holidays. They asked if those documents could be staggered or prioritized. The Navy noted that they will work with the agencies to grant comment extensions if needed but they won't delay submittals. Additionally, the Navy will inform the BCT when a BCT document review is critical due to contracting constraints. Ms. Kim Walsh (DTSC) noted this concern about workload management is one that the BCT should be able to discuss and come to solution. Ms. Yolanda Sanchez (USEPA) clarified the concern is about planning the work in a way that is manageable, not necessarily about document extensions. Requesting document extensions should not be the sole tool or method to manage the workload.

Ms. Karen Ueno (USEPA) suggested that it would be beneficial for document review times, if Agency personnel and the Navy RPMs would engage in a conversation (prior to moving to the next stage of a document) when clarification is needed or to discuss for a specific agency comment. Ms. Tina Low (Waterboard) agreed that would be a good approach for efficiency. Mr. Derek Robinson (Navy) noted Navy RPMs should be contacting the regulatory agencies for clarification on comment.

Mr. Wayne Praskins (USEPA) noted two radiological retesting draft workplans are being released before the RTCs for the D-2, UC-1, UC-2, UC-3 draft workplan. The Navy had extended the RTCs due date again, and EPA had over 60 comments on this workplan. Mr. Sean-Ryan McCray (Navy) noted these documents rely on the structure of the Parcel G Work Plan and Addendum.

### IV. Fieldwork Updates (Navy)

Mr. Stoick (Navy) noted that fieldwork at Parcels G and E is ongoing and the Navy will submit regular fieldwork updates to the agencies as it progresses. Ms. Maevie Clancy (USEPA) noted comments on the air monitoring fieldwork she sent to the Navy on September 21, 2020.

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## V. Miscellaneous Topics/Update (Derek Robinson, Navy)

Ms. Leslie Howard (Navy) noted that they have begun Phase III activities at Parcel E-2 which includes installing gates, dust monitoring setup, debris and vegetation removal, and elevation surveying. During vegetation removal some areas of damage to the top landfill cover were noted, and the Navy is looking to install additional liners and repair the covers. The Navy is also going ahead with the geotechnical sampling proposed onsite.

Ms. Sharon Ohannessian (Navy) gave an update on IR10. The Navy is shutting down the soil vapor extraction (SVE) system at IR10 because ~~the Navy believes it is not likely to~~ effectively removing volatile organic compounds in soil gas across IR10. Ms. Ohannessian mentioned that in 2016 USEPA had denied the Navy's request for acceptance that the system was operational and functional. The Navy is planning to remove Building 123 and excavate soil in this area to further remediate subsurface impacts. The Navy will complete the removal by conducting a soil-gas survey in the impacted area and document the work in a RACR.

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Mr. Robinson (Navy) noted that the Navy has a redaction process for all publicly available documents which starts by sending the document to the administrative record where they determine if there are proprietary or personal information included within the reports. This information is redacted before documents are posted to the Navy's website. There are some issues with un-redacted documents getting posted to state or federal websites and this is an ongoing conversation. There was a discussion noting the Navy is providing BCT members with non-redacted documents. Mr. Wayne Praskins (USEPA) noted this poses a problem if EPA is unaware if we have information that should be redacted. This becomes an issue when responding to FOIA requests or general document requests from the public. Mr. Praskins (USEPA) suggests a way to deal with this concern is for the Navy to identify in draft documents information that might be redactable when sharing the draft. Ms. Heather Wochnick (Navy), who is the FOIA lead at the Navy, said it would be hard for the Navy to do this for draft documents. Ms. Maeve Clancy (USEPA) noted that when working on other Federal Facility sites, the lead agency flags CBI and PII in draft documents. Ms. Tina Low (Water Board) noted her agency uploads these documents into Geotracker, and there is not a redaction process. There was a further discussion on whether any document provided to the state or city is considered a public document. The Navy legal counsel will engage USEPA and state agencies legal counsels to discuss redaction requirements and proper handling of non-releasable information.

## VI. Community Outreach

Mr. Robinson (Navy) noted that both the Navy and USEPA gave presentations at the September 28, 2020 virtual HPS Community Advisory Committee (CAC) meeting. Roughly 10-12 community members joined the meeting. Ms. Yolanda Sanchez (USEPA) asked the Navy for their thoughts on the CAC members requesting factsheets from the USEPA. Mr. Robinson (Navy) felt that they were asking for the USEPA's input or opinion on the documents. The USEPA felt that the CAC might have wanted something different and it would be worth having additional conversations with the CAC on this topic.

The Navy is hoping to hold a Parcel A residents meeting in October, but it has not yet been confirmed. Additionally, Dr. Higley is holding virtual office hours in October in November. The USEPA and City of San Francisco would like to be included in upcoming meetings with the residents, or possibly also with the artists in November.

Ms. Yolanda Sanchez (USEPA) asked about the Navy's upcoming quarterly report and if the Navy would share a draft for a quick over-the-shoulder review. Mr. Derek Robinson (Navy) asked Ms. Liz Basinet to forward the draft to Ms. Sanchez.

#### **VII. New Action Items/Future Meetings (Derek Robinson, Navy)**

- The Navy will inform the BCT when a BCT document review is critical due to contracting constraints.
- The Navy legal counsel will engage USEPA and state legal counsel to discuss redaction requirements and proper handling of non-releasable information.

#### ***Next Meetings:***

- The next BCT meeting is scheduled to be held on November 5, 2020 via teleconference.

#### **Meeting participants:** (all participating via telephone)

Liz Basinet, INYA	Dennis Rourke, Navy
Karla Brasaemle, TechLaw	Brooks Pauly, Navy
Amy Brownell, City	Wayne Praskins, USEPA
Maeve Clancy, USEPA	Christina Rain, Langan
Jamie Egan, Jacobs	Derek Robinson, Navy
Hamlet Hamparsumian, Noreas	Liz Roddy, Navy
Terry Han, CDPH	Yolanda Sanchez, USEPA
Leo Larson, Navy	Mary Schneider, INYA
Tina Low, Water Board	Radhika Sreenivasan, E2 Consulting
Sean-Ryan McCray, Navy	David Tanouye, Water Board
Hamid Naimi, Navy	Karen Ueno, USEPA
Sharon Ohannessian, Navy	Kim Walsh, DTSC
	Heather Wochnick, Navy